

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re the Application of:

STIEKEMA ET AL.

Serial No.: 10/005,793

Group Art Unit: 1615

Filed: November 2, 2001

Examiner: L. Di Nola Baron

For: USE OF OLIGOSACCHARIDE FOR PREVENTING BLOOD CLOTTING IN  
EXTRACORPOREAL BLOOD CIRCUITS

Divisional of: USSN 09/424,626, filed November 24, 1999

**Amendment and Response to Final**

Assistant Commissioner of Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

March 5, 2003

Dear Sir:

In reply to the Final Office Action issued November 5, 2002, please enter the amendments that follow.

Submitted herewith is a petition and fee to extend the date for responding by one month to March 5, 2003.

Accordingly, it is believed that this response is timely filed.

In the claims please replace claims 11, 12, 15 and 16 with new claims 11, 12, 15 and 16 as follows:

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